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FOLLOWING REPEAT DAR ES SALAAM 2187 ACTION SECSTATE

INFO ADDIS ABABA LUSAKA NAIROBI ZANZIBAR 01 JULY 1974.

QUOTE:

C O N F I D E N T I A L DAR ES SALAAM 2187

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: JULY 4 INVITATION TO PRC AMBASSADOR

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1. CHINESE AMBASSADOR'S SECRETARY/INTERPRETER CALLED EMBASSY THIS A.M. (1 JULY) TO REGRET AMBASSADOR CARTER'S INVITATION TO JULY 4 COUP DE CHAMPAGNE. PRC REPRESENTATIVE EXPLAINED THAT HIS AMBASSADOR VERY MUCH ENGAGED WITH PRC DELEGATION HERE FOR TANZANIA'S SABA SABA CELEBRATIONS, THE HIGHLIGHT OF WHICH IS 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF ESTABLISHMENT OF TANU, THIS COUNTRY'S ONE PARTY.

2. TODAY'S REGRET DIFFERS FROM LAST YEAR IN THAT IT CAME THREE DAYS EARLIER AND CONTAINED A REASONABLY PLAUSIBLE EXPLANATION (MY CANADIAN COLLEAGUE HAS JUST TOLD ME THAT HE RECEIVED SIMILAR REGRET FOR HIS
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NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATION WHICH WAS HELD TODAY AND,

OF COURSE, OTTAWA AND PEKING HAVE FULL DIPLOMATIC
RELATIONS).
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